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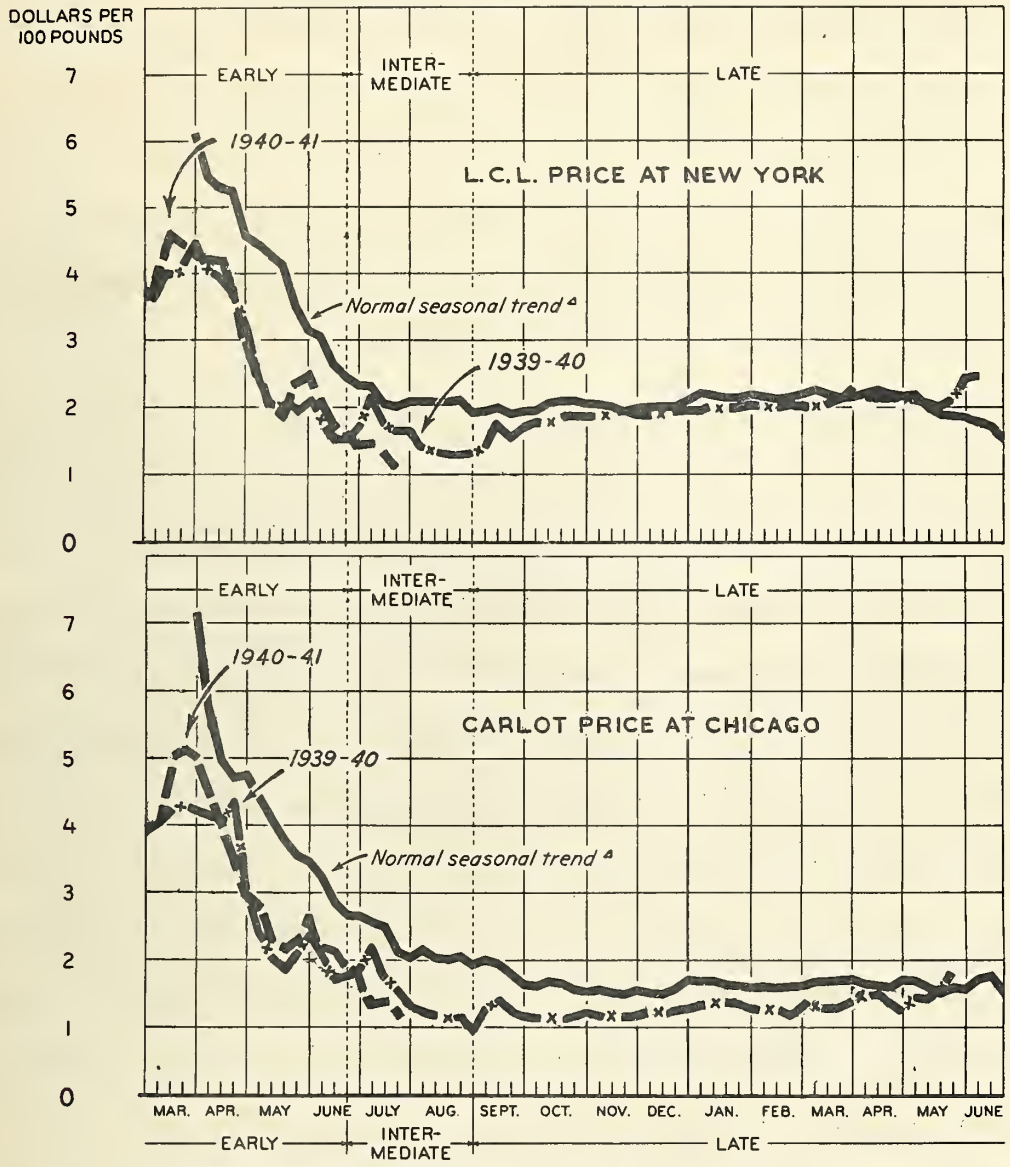

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△ ARITHMETIC MEAN OF THE SIX MIDDLE PRICES FOR EACH WEEK OF THE 10-YEAR PERIOD, 1921-30

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Summary

Plentiful supplies of truck crops for market and processing are in prospect for the 1940 season. The acreage of truck crops for harvest during the remainder of 1940 is indicated to be from 2 to 3 percent larger than that of the last half of 1939, but improved yield prospects point to an increase in production and market supply somewhat larger than that. The summer supply of truck crops for fresh market shipments is indicated to be about 13 percent larger than a year earlier. The market garden areas also are providing large quantities of vegetables. Although there was some improvement in price levels of a few commodities during recent weeks, the general trend of prices was seasonally downward.

With complete reports available on plantings of all of the important truck crops for processing, it is indicated that the acreage is increased 16 percent over that of the preceding year. Sharp increases are shown for beets, sweet corn, cucumbers for pickles, and green peas, and moderate increases for asparagus, snap beans, and tomatoes. The acreage of lima beans is about the same as in the previous year, but that of cabbage for kraut, pimientos, and spinach is decreased somewhat. These acreage changes together with yield prospect and condition reports as of July indicate a production and pack of these items somewhat larger than in 1939. The total pack of important canned vegetables is likely to be 15-20 percent larger than that of last season, but this increase will be partly offset by a 50-percent reduction in carry-over stocks. The total supply probably will be 3 to 4 percent larger than the 117 million cases available in 1939.

Although larger supplies of intermediate crop potatoes are being marketed at the present time, the supply of late potatoes is indicated to be slightly smaller than that of last season. An increase in the 8 Eastern late States is more than offset by decreases in 10 Central and 12 Western late States. A smaller crop of sweetpotatoes is also indicated for 1940.

With a crop of dry edible beans about the same as in 1939 in prospect, and with a reduction in the carry-over likely, the probabilities are that the total supply for the 1940 season will be smaller than in 1939. Smaller supplies of Pintos and Pea Beans are in prospect.

POTATOES

The supply of potatoes for marketing during the remainder of the summer is indicated to be about one-fourth larger than that available for the corresponding period a year earlier. Marketings of the commercial portion of this intermediate crop are now in full swing.

For the fall and winter months, present indications point to a market situation much like that of the previous season. Much will depend, however, upon the final outturn of the late potato crop. The present prospect is for a late crop about 2 million bushels short of that in 1939 and somewhat higher consumer purchasing power than a year earlier.

The total intermediate potato crop is indicated at 34.5 million bushels this season, or 6.8 million bushels more than was produced in this area last season. The commercial portion of this crop totals 19.2 million bushels (18.1 million in the intermediate States proper and 1.1 million in Nebraska), compared with 15.8 million bushels last season and the 10-year (1929-38) average of 20 million bushels. The Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation is purchasing considerable quantities for relief distribution.

Substantial increases over last season are indicated for Virginia, Maryland, and New Jersey. The increases are largely the result of greater yields per acre, since the acreage for harvest in most of the intermediate States was decreased slightly this season. Marketings from the early States are about completed while those from the intermediate States are in full swing. Virginia is past the peak, as are Kansas and Missouri, but Maryland and New Jersey are just starting. Shipments by motor truck have been unusually heavy this season.

The late potato crop, the bulk of which will not be ready for marketing until September, is indicated to total 277 million bushels this season, or about 2 million bushels less than the harvest of 1939. An

increase of about 6 million bushels in the 8 Eastern States is more than offset by decreases in the 10 Central and 12 Western States. The acreage for harvest in 1940 is indicated to be slightly larger in the eastern and central groups, but slightly smaller in the West.

Yield prospects, on the basis of July 1 condition, are indicated to be lower in the central and western groups. These are early indications, however, and it should be borne in mind that the prospect can change considerably between now and harvest time. In the event that the present crop prospect materializes, the market situation during the fall and winter months will be similar to that of last season with a tendency toward improvement. Market prices of potatoes usually reach the lowest levels of the season in August and then rise slightly thereafter.

SWEETPOTATOES

Sweetpotato production in 1940 is indicated to total 68.8 million bushels, or about 3.7 million bushels less than was produced in 1939 and about 3.6 million less than the 10-year (1929-38) average. The crop in the eight Atlantic Coast States is unusually small this season, a result of smaller plantings and lower yield prospects. In the Central States the crop is indicated to be slightly larger than in 1939 but slightly smaller than average. The California crop is indicated to be large.

A total of 797,000 acres is indicated for harvest as of July 1, a reduction of 8 percent from the total acreage harvested last season. Reductions occur in the four lower Atlantic Coast and eight South Central States.

Sweetpotato prices usually average the highest of the season during July, since at that time the last of the old crop and the first of the new crop are being marketed; hence, market supplies at that time are usually small. During recent weeks, market prices of old stock rose sharply, and those of the new crop opened at unusually high levels. The seasonal trend of prices from July to October is sharply downward, however, as marketings of the new crop increase.

DRY EDIBLE BEANS

A crop of dry edible beans about the same as in 1939 is indicated for 1940. The acreage indicated for harvest this season is about 13 percent larger than that of a year earlier, but the yield prospect is not so good, particularly in the Pinto and Pea Bean producing areas. It appears, therefore, that the supply of these varieties will be considerably reduced this season from the relatively high level of a year earlier. On the other hand, the prospects for Great Northerns and Small Reds in Idaho, and miscellaneous varieties in California, are improved over those of 1939.

Approximately 669,000 bags of beans were exported in the 1939 season through May compared with 202,000 bags exported during the corresponding period in the previous season. This increase in exports is expected to reduce the carry-over at the beginning of the 1940 marketing season materially

from the unusually large stocks of 3,000,000 bags in 1939. If domestic disappearances and shipments to non-contiguous territories are maintained at about the levels of the 1938 season, the carry-over probably will be around 2,000,000 bags. Thus the total supply of beans for the 1940 season may approximate 16 million bags, compared with 17 million in the previous season.

In recent months bean prices in local markets averaged from 40 to 60 cents per 100 pounds higher than a year earlier. Increased exports, improved domestic consumer purchasing power, and slightly reduced supplies have all contributed to the higher price level this season. Of course, prices of certain varieties, such as Marrow, Pintos, and Cranberry, have been lower than last season, a result of greatly increased supplies.

TRUCK CROPS

A preliminary estimate of the acreage planted to truck crops for fresh market shipment in 1940 is 3 percent less than that of 1939 but about 8 percent above the 10-year (1929-38) average acreage. Decreases are indicated for the South Atlantic, South Central, and western groups of States but an increase is indicated for the North Atlantic group. The North Central States as a group show no change. Most of the reductions occurred in the three leading States of Florida, Texas, and California, where late winter and early spring freezes and floods caused considerable losses of acreage. The reduction for the early crops as a group amounted to about 6 percent, whereas for the late crop an increase of about 2 percent is indicated. Moreover, good yield prospects in the late areas indicate that production probably will be larger than that of last season. Summer production of truck crops for market probably will be 13 percent larger than in 1939, and it is probable that the market garden areas, for which estimates are not available, will contribute increased supplies this season.

It is indicated that the flow of truck crops to market has fully recovered from the late winter and early spring setbacks. Marketings have increased sharply during recent weeks. Prices declined sharply during late June and July, with those for many items averaging lower than a year earlier. Truck crop supplies usually reach a seasonal peak in the late summer, and market prices usually reflect an opposite trend.

Lima beans: Production of lima beans in the second section of intermediate States (Maryland, New Jersey, and Virginia Eastern Shore) totals 354,000 bushels, or slightly more than was produced last year but slightly less than the 10-year (1929-38) average output. Harvest of this crop is just starting, while that of the second early and first intermediate groups is finishing. Market prices rose sharply during early July as market supplies decreased, but tended to decline in the last half of the month when marketings from Maryland and New Jersey began to move. Prices this summer have averaged considerably higher than a year earlier.

Snap beans: The snap bean crop in the third section of intermediate States (northern Georgia, western North Carolina, and southwestern Virginia) totals 649,000 bushels this season compared with 757,000 bushels a year earlier. Most of these beans will be shipped by motortruck as will the

major portion of the supplies coming from Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Georgia, Arkansas, and Michigan, all of which constitute the important sources at this time of year. The market garden areas also will provide considerable supplies for the northern cities. Excessive moisture in some of these areas has tended to lower quality somewhat. Because of an increased second intermediate crop this season the total supply of snap beans for immediate marketing is slightly larger than a year earlier. Although market prices declined seasonably in recent weeks, those in late July averaged higher than in late July a year ago.

Cabbage: The intermediate crop deteriorated during June, and yield prospects were lower as of July 1 than a month earlier in Maryland, New Jersey, New York (Long Island), and Tennessee. As a consequence, the supply of intermediate cabbage was reduced by 20,000 tons from earlier expectations to 207,200 tons. This is about 12,500 tons below the 1939 crop. Cabbage prospects are generally good in the late States, where the domestic type acreage is increased about 6 percent this season to 42,600 acres. If yields are equal to the 1929-38 average, the domestic late crop will total about 340,000 tons and will be about 14 percent larger than that of 1939. Kraut packers are beginning to open their plants in New York State in order to help remove the surplus cabbage from the market. It is indicated that approximately 18,900 acres will be harvested for kraut this season, or about 6 percent less than in 1939.

Early reports indicate that the acreage of Danish or storage type cabbage in the late States will also be increased this season. However, the crop is reported to be late in getting started. This crop is usually marketed from October to March, a portion being stored for the winter season. It is probable, therefore, that the supply of cabbage during the remainder of 1940 and early part of 1941 will be plentiful.

Because of the heavy supply of cabbage available this summer, market prices have averaged considerably lower than a year earlier. Stock from nearby areas ranged from 35 to 42 cents per 1-1/2-bushel hamper compared with $1.18 a year ago.

Cantaloups: Although the intermediate crop got off to a late start, and the acreage was reduced 13 percent below that of a year earlier, good growing weather in late June and early July resulted in better than average yield prospect in mid-July. The crop is indicated to total 2.4 million crates or slightly more than was produced in this area in 1939, and about 14 percent more than the 10-year (1929-38) average. This slightly larger production, following immediately a large second early crop, indicates that market supplies of cantaloups and similar melons will continue plentiful during the coming weeks. Also the late acreage is increased slightly. Average yields on this larger acreage would continue rather heavy marketings through the remainder of the season. Prices of western cantaloups rose during July but those of Honeyballs, Honeydews, and eastern cantaloups declined seasonally. Market prices of these melons were generally lower than in July 1939.

Cauliflower: Plantings of cauliflower in the first section of late States (Colorado, New Jersey, New York other, Utah, and Washington) are

indicated to be increased about 5 percent this season to 8,950 acres. The crop is reported to be late in New York State but in the other areas conditions are favorable. Shipments from these States are getting started and are now increasing. Because of an in-between season slackening of marketings, prices of cauliflower at market centers rose sharply during July and at the end of the month averaged slightly above those of a year earlier.

Cucumbers: Unfavorable growing conditions have retarded the development of cucumbers in the intermediate States. Although the acreage is increased slightly this season, the crop is indicated to be slightly smaller than that of last year. Supplies of cucumbers all this season have been smaller than in 1939, and it appears that the reduced marketings will continue. The production this season to date is 377,000 short of that in 1939. Although market prices declined seasonally in recent weeks, in late July they averaged substantially above those of a year earlier.

Lettuce: Production of lettuce in the first section of late States (California, Colorado, New Mexico, New York, and Pennsylvania) totals 4,232,000 crates this season, or slightly more than that of a year earlier. The marketing of this crop has started with both the Big Boston and Iceberg types moving from New York State. The market garden areas of New England are also in full production. Carlot shipments from the Western States in late July, however, were smaller than a year earlier because of low market prices. For California lettuce the price decline was from $3.58 per crate in the first week to $1.90 per crate in the third week of July. Prices of Big Boston type declined from 42 cents per crate of 2 dozen heads to 37 cents during the same period. The late July averages were substantially below those of a year earlier.

Onions: Market prices of onions continued the precipitous decline in July that started in early June, as market supplies recovered from the shortage occasioned by the small early crop in Texas. In late July, however, prices were about 60 percent higher than a year earlier. Production in the two intermediate areas is indicated to total 1,698,000 bags, or about the same as a year earlier. The output in the second intermediate group is about 100,000 bags, 16 percent larger than that of last year. This crop is the principal source of marketings during late July and August. Because of a sharp reduction in the acreage planted to onions in the late Western States, the total late crop this season probably will be smaller than the record large late crop produced last season. Yields of late onions last year were unusually high, and it is not likely that they will be obtained again this season. The harvest of some of the earlier planted varieties is starting, but it will be some time before the bulk of the crop is matured. A portion of this late crop is usually stored for winter marketing.

Green peas: The production of green peas in the first section of late States (Colorado, New York, Oregon, and Washington) did not turn out as large as expected last month, and as a result market supplies in recent weeks have been smaller instead of larger than a year ago. This shift in the supply situation caused market prices to rise sharply in July. Production in the second section of late States (Idaho and Utah) totals 572,000 bushels compared with 527,000 last season. Thus it is indicated that the supply provided by the two late groups totals 3,062,000 bushels, or somewhat less than the 3,198,000 bushels in 1939.

TRUCK CROPS FOR PROCESSING

An increase of about 16 percent is indicated in the acreage planted to 11 important truck crops for processing (including those grown for canning, freezing, pickling, kraut making, etc.) this season over the relatively small acreage planted in 1939. The planted acreage this season is about 20 percent greater than the harvested acreage last year, when abandonment because of unfavorable growing conditions was unusually small.

As compared with 1939 the greatest increase in plantings is in cucumbers for pickles (44 percent) but there are sizeable increases also in the acreage of beets, sweet corn, and green peas, and moderate increases in asparagus, snap beans, and tomatoes. There are decreases indicated for cabbage for kraut, pimientos, and spinach. The acreage planted to lima beans is about the same as a year earlier.

The acreage planted to some of these crops for freezing (included in the above indications) is gradually becoming of increasing importance. The total for 4 crops (lima beans, snap beans, sweet corn, and green peas) is 59,210 acres this year, an increase of 13 percent over that of 1939, and of 28 percent over that of 1938. Most of the increase is in the plantings of green peas, as the acreage of snap beans and sweet corn is decreased.

Although the season for most truck crops for processing is reported to be generally late, condition was indicated to be average or better on July 15. Harvesting of green peas is about completed, whereas that of snap beans and tomatoes is getting well started. The production of green peas is expected to total 289,000 tons compared with 198,000 tons last season. This increased output probably will result in a pack of canned green peas of 23 to 24 million cases and a total supply for the 1940 marketing season of 25.6 to 26.6 million cases. Last year the supply totaled 23.7 million and the disappearance amounted to about 21.1 million cases, whereas average disappearance for recent years is 19.4 million. Thus it appears that the supply of green peas this season will provide for last year's disappearance, and for more than a normal carry-over of about 3.5 million cases.

The production of snap beans for processing is indicated to total 99,530 tons or only slightly more than the 94,150 tons produced last season. The canned pack from this crop probably will be around 9 million cases and will result in a total supply of about 9.8 million cases. Such a supply would be smaller than the 10.3 million cases available last season and would be only about as large as total disappearance in the 1939 season.

On the basis of acreage changes this season and condition reports as of July 15, the prospect is that the supplies of canned asparagus, beets, tomatoes, and tomato juices probably will be slightly larger than those of a year earlier. The supply of canned corn may be reduced slightly. Packs of each of these products are likely to be increased but the carry-over is reduced materially.

Total stocks of 6 important canned vegetables on July 1 totaled 10.9 million (actual) cases compared with 22.6 million a year ago. Reduced packs in 1939 coupled with increased shipments were the principal contributing factors in reducing the carry-over stocks. Shipments of these 6 vegetables totaled 76.4 million cases during the year ended June 30, compared with 74.8 million in the previous year and 73.7 million, 2 years preceding. This movement was accomplished at slightly higher prices, an indication that consumer purchasing power was somewhat improved over that of preceding seasons.

Potatoes: Acreage, yield per acre and production, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and indicated 1940

Group and State	Acreage: 10-year av. 1929-38	Acreage: 1939	Acreage: 1940	Yield per acre: 10-year av. 1929-38	Yield per acre: 1939	Yield per acre: Indicated 1940	Production: 10-year av. 1929-38	Production: 1939	Production: Indicated 1940
	Acres	Acres	Acres	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
Fall and winter 1/									
Florida, south	6,700	11,300	11,200	111	140	90	797	1,582	1,008
Texas	2,700	2,700	2,600	48	40	45	121	108	117
Total	9,400	14,000	13,800	98	121	82	918	1,690	1,125
Early (1)									
Florida, north	18,800	15,400	14,400	108	107	208	2,037	1,653	2,992
Hastings	16,100	13,000	12,000	110	105	220	1,736	1,365	2,640
La Crosse	2,100	1,600	1,600	113	130	170	231	208	272
West	600	800	800	108	100	100	70	80	80
Texas Lower Valley	9,200	5,200	7,900	87	80	90	785	416	711
Total	28,000	20,600	22,300	101	100	166	2,822	2,069	3,703
Early (2)									
Alabama	13,200	24,300	26,700	120	140	110	1,634	3,402	2,937
California	17,900	33,300	36,500	230	333	300	4,436	11,089	10,950
Georgia	1,600	2,300	3,800	140	160	150	225	368	570
Louisiana	22,900	24,000	22,000	73	60	68	1,691	1,440	1,496
Mississippi	2,300	3,500	3,000	92	80	60	208	280	180
South Carolina	12,400	13,500	14,000	148	150	150	1,862	2,025	2,100
Texas, other	12,900	9,200	8,600	66	65	70	854	600	598
Total	83,200	110,100	114,600	131	174	164	10,910	19,204	18,831
Second early									
Arkansas	5,000	4,600	4,100	88	85	100	436	391	410
North Carolina	32,700	36,000	32,400	142	125	150	4,680	4,500	4,860
Oklahoma	8,900	5,600	5,000	96	90	100	867	504	500
Tennessee	2,200	2,300	2,400	83	110	100	179	253	240
Total	48,800	48,500	43,900	126	116	137	6,162	5,648	6,010
Intermediate (1)									
Kansas	13,500	12,600	10,100	128	120	162	1,730	1,512	1,636
Kaw Valley	12,700	12,100	9,600	124	120	162	1,598	1,452	1,555
Scott County	800	500	500	166	120	162	132	60	81
Kentucky	4,800	3,100	3,100	99	153	120	446	474	372
Maryland	7,500	6,100	5,800	149	95	150	1,099	580	870
Missouri	5,800	5,700	5,400	136	200	225	768	1,140	1,215
Virginia	60,600	45,800	42,600	144	105	144	8,701	4,830	6,137
Norfolk district	10,500	9,500	9,200	145	125	160	1,527	1,188	1,472
Eastern Shore	46,900	33,900	31,200	143	100	140	6,761	3,390	4,368
Other	3,200	2,400	2,200	129	105	135	413	252	297
Total	92,200	73,300	67,000	138	116	153	12,744	8,536	10,230
Intermediate (2)									
Nebraska	2,000	3,900	4,800	220	225	225	440	878	1,080
New Jersey	38,500	45,700	49,000	175	140	160	6,774	6,398	7,840
Total	40,500	49,600	53,800	178	147	166	7,214	7,276	8,920
All States	302,100	316,100	315,400	135	141	155	40,770	44,423	48,819

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Fall and winter crop States supply earliest new crop movement, starting in fall preceding year shown.

Potatoes: Acreage, yield and production, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and indicated 1940

Group and classification	Acreage: Average 1929-38	Acreage: 1939	Acreage: For Harvest 1940	Yield: Average 1929-38	Yield: 1939	Yield: Indicated 1940	Production: Average 1929-38	Production: 1939	Production: Indicated 1940
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
Early									
Total	421.0	450.3	461.5	87.9	103.2	106.0	37,205	46,473	48,940
Commercial	151.5	159.9	158.1	108.1	109.6	118.4	16,376	17,522	18,719
Other	269.5	290.4	303.4	77.3	99.7	99.6	20,829	28,951	30,221
Intermediate									
Total	321.2	289.0	293.3	106.0	95.6	117.5	33,972	27,617	34,465
Commercial	130.7	119.0	116.0	149.3	125.5	155.8	19,518	14,934	18,070
Other	190.5	170.0	177.3	75.9	74.6	92.5	14,454	12,683	16,395
18 surplus late									
Total	2,137.3	1,923.3	1,958.8	120.3	130.0	127.3	256,482	249,988	249,415
3 eastern	611.0	568.0	583.0	161.7	154.0	161.1	98,875	87,487	93,903
5 central	1,028.0	881.0	905.0	81.1	88.9	84.9	83,222	78,326	76,815
10 western	498.2	474.3	470.8	150.1	177.5	167.2	74,384	84,175	78,697
12 other late									
Total	416.2	364.1	373.8	94.6	109.7	102.8	39,291	39,938	38,443
5 eastern	60.4	62.9	67.4	146.1	158.9	138.9	8,822	9,997	9,360
5 central	348.0	293.0	298.0	86.1	99.8	95.2	29,862	29,241	28,363
2 western	8.0	8.2	8.4	75.2	85.4	85.7	607	700	720
30 late	2,553.5	2,287.4	2,332.6	116.1	126.7	123.4	295,772	289,926	287,858
37 late and intermediate	2,874.7	2,576.4	2,625.9	115.0	123.3	122.7	329,744	317,543	322,323
United States total	3,295.7	3,026.7	3,087.4	111.5	120.3	120.3	366,949	364,016	371,263
30 late									
8 eastern	671.4	630.9	650.4	160.4	154.5	158.8	107,697	97,484	103,263
10 central	1,376.0	1,174.0	1,203.0	82.2	91.6	87.4	113.084	107,567	105,178
12 western 1/	488.3	449.2	442.7	144.5	164.3	154.7	70,555	73,786	68,467
Total 1/	2,535.7	2,254.1	2,296.1	114.9	123.7	120.6	291,336	278,837	276,908
California early	17.9	33.3	36.5	230.0	333.0	300.0	4,436	11,089	10,950

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.
1/ Excludes California early.

Potatoes and sweetpotatoes: Unweighted prices for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) at shipping points and terminal markets, specified weeks 1940 with comparisons

Market and variety	Week ended 1939 July 29	1940 June 29	1940 July 6	1940 July 13	1940 July 20	1940 July 27
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Potatoes per 100 pounds						
F.o.b. shipping point						
Kaw Valley, Kans.	---		.87	.86	.72	---
Norfolk, Va. and nearby points	---	1.23	1.18	1.11	1.04	---
Pocomoke, Md. and East Shore, Va. points	---	1.27	1.24	1.13	1.04	.96
North and Central N. J. points	1.60	---	---	---	---	.95
Terminal markets						
New York City						
Cobblers, Va.	1.71	1.47	1.48	1.35	1.18	.97
" N. C.	---	1.48	1.48	1.31	1.21	1.00
" L. I.	1.66	---	---	1.16	1.08	.94
" N. J.	1.65	---	---	1.03	1.07	.93
" Md.	1.52	---	---	1.38	1.11	.99
Eastern Cobblers	1.66	1.80	1.48	1.31	1.14	.96
Long Whites, Calif.	2.94	2.60	2.64	2.74	---	---
" " Ala.	---	2.32	2.36	2.57	2.62	---
Chicago						
Long Whites, Calif.	2.31	2.10	2.18	2.47	2.56	2.45
Cobblers, N. C.	---	1.61	1.52	1.55	1.45	1.18
" Kans. and Mo.	1.02	---	1.19	1.27	1.12	1.08
Russett Burbanks, Idaho	2.22					2.17
Bliss Triumphs, Ark.	---	1.62	1.57	1.50	1.40	---
Bliss Triumphs, Idaho	1.55	---	2.05	2.02	1.62	1.48
Midwestern varieties	1.36	1.79	1.35	1.38	1.22	1.16
Sweetpotatoes per bushel						
New York						
Jerseys, N. J.	---	2.14	2.72	2.80	2.58	2.62
Puerto Ricans, N. C. and S. C.	---	1.66	1.97	2.39	2.50	2.88
" " La.	---	1.99	2.35	2.75 1/	2.75	---
All varieties	---	1.81	2.34	2.54	2.52	2.78
Jerseys, Fla. (new)	2.26	---	---	---	2.88	2.50
Chicago						
Puerto Ricans, La.	---	1.85	1.95	---	---	---
Nancy Halls, Tenn.	---	1.46	1.74	1.98	2.13	---
All varieties	---	1.61	1.76	2.00	2.18	---
Triumph, Ala. (new)	1.94	---	---	---	2.42	2.49

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1/ Average for 1 day.

Truck crops: Commercial acreage and production for market, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and indicated 1940

Crop and seasonal group	Acreage: 10-year average 1929-38	Acreage: 1939	Acreage: Preliminary 1940	Unit	Production: 10-year average 1929-38	Production: 1939	Production: Indicated 1940
	Acres	Acres	Acres				
Artichokes	8,350	10,200	10,550	1,000 boxes	875	1,122	---
Asparagus 1/, total U.S.	106,990	123,290	129,270	1,000 crt.	9,786	10,875	11,92
Lima beans, total U.S.	11,460	13,750	---	1,000 bu.	714	1,100	---
Fall through intermediate (1)	6,710	8,500	8,150	" "	416	720	51
Intermediate (2)	5,240	4,600	4,550	" "	357	351	35
Snap beans, total U.S.	144,170	177,190	---		12,076	16,580	---
Fall through intermediate (1)	106,390	126,350	113,550	" "	8,308	11,343	8,72
Intermediate (2)	12,150	11,500	11,100	" "	1,171	911	1,08
" " (3)	---	7,350	7,200	" "	---	757	64
Beets, total U.S.	10,940	11,640	---	" "	1,942	2,021	---
Early and second early	8,160	8,270	6,600	" "	1,162	1,122	89
Intermediate	2,450	2,820	2,900	" "	663	690	73
Cabbage 1/, total U.S.	170,970	182,040	187,180	Tons	1,134,400	1,135,800	---
Fall through second early	61,650	74,750	75,180	"	329,600	377,800	370,50
Intermediate	31,900	35,490	36,400	"	185,500	219,700	207,20
Late							
Domestic	41,030	40,300	42,600	"	326,500	297,900	---
Danish	36,390	31,500	33,000	"	292,800	240,400	---
Cantaloups, total U.S.	118,210	133,410	129,130	1,000 crt.	14,890	14,402	---
Early and second early	77,160	85,040	83,180	" "	10,171	9,105	8,966
Intermediate	21,420	25,450	22,250	" "	2,109	2,358	2,411
Late	19,630	22,920	23,700	" "	2,610	2,939	---
Carrots 1/, total U.S.	35,080	43,520	---	1,000 bu.	12,560	16,061	---
Fall through second early	27,180	34,100	35,950	" "	9,279	12,686	13,928
Intermediate	1,680	2,170	2,500	" "	466	514	616
Cauliflower, total U.S.	29,140	28,250	---	1,000 crt.	7,284	8,476	---
Fall, winter and early	17,300	15,450	16,610	" "	4,639	4,832	4,841
Late (1)	7,860	8,500	8,950	" "	1,733	2,294	---
Celery, total U. S.	35,040	40,240	---	" "	9,525	11,527	---
Fall through second early	17,540	20,800	21,300	" "	4,770	6,003	7,052
Intermediate	4,130	4,640	4,680	" "	1,066	1,370	1,191
Corn, sweet (N. J.)	24,350	26,000	25,000	1,000 ears	116,020	114,400	140,000
Cucumbers, total U.S.	45,200	43,410	---	1,000 bu.	4,171	4,656	---
Fall through second early	33,100	29,950	28,600	" "	2,740	3,036	2,682
Intermediate	8,320	8,100	8,200	" "	1,048	1,085	1,062
Late	2,520	3,560	3,870	" "	290	372	---

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Truck crops: Commercial acreage and production for market, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and indicated 1940 - Contd.

Crop and seasonal group	Acreage: 10-year average 1929-38	Acreage: 1939	Acreage: Preliminary 1940	Unit	Production: 10-year average 1929-38	Production: 1939	Production: Indicated 1940
	Acres	Acres	Acres				
Eggplant, total U.S.	3,710	4,500	3,750	1,000 bushels	822	1,092	---
Fall and early	2,140	2,500	1,850	"	462	716	316
Second early	480	800	700	"	69	100	98
Late	1,090	1,200	1,200	"	291	276	---
Kale (Va.)	1,700	1,100	1,100	"	598	550	330
Lettuce, total U. S.	156,840	171,420	---	1,000 crt.	19,536	24,070	---
Early and second early	93,540	107,150	93,190	" "	10,574	14,155	17,055
Intermediate	4,850	4,130	4,320	" "	948	801	1,014
Late	26,060	27,590	28,580	" "	3,622	4,210	4,232
Onions, total U. S.	121,980	131,140	108,770	1,000 sacks	14,157	17,801	---
Early and Intermediate (1)	62,130	66,200	46,350		3,005	3,246	2,241
Intermediate (2)	6,440	6,190	6,050	"	862	630	731
Late	53,410	58,750	56,370	"	10,290	13,925	---
Green peas, total U.S.	101,830	105,650	---	1,000 bu.	7,690	9,627	---
Early through intermediate (2)	61,660	66,190	55,440	" "	4,044	5,163	4,069
Late (1)	19,380	22,910	23,700	" "	1,979	2,671	2,490
Late (2)	3,210	5,100	6,700	" "	309	527	572
Green peppers, total U. S.	18,020	21,930	---	" "	4,068	5,066	---
Fall through second early	9,730	10,830	9,960	" "	2,072	2,609	1,741
Intermediate (1)	950	2,000	1,900	" "	164	280	314
" " (2)	5,940	6,700	6,900	" "	1,445	1,541	---
Shallots (La.)	---	5,400	5,000	" "	---	674	556
Spinach, total U.S.	59,430	61,030	---	" "	12,603	13,430	---
Fall through second early	51,620	52,290	53,130	" "	10,633	10,943	10,526
Intermediate	840	1,400	1,600	" "	109	175	200
Tomatoes, total U.S.	177,260	210,550	---	" "	19,584	24,782	---
Fall through second early	91,850	119,100	111,100	" "	7,790	10,713	8,888
Intermediate	43,810	48,050	51,580	" "	5,873	6,667	7,357
Late (1)	33,700	36,100	36,950	" "	4,957	6,307	---
Watermelons, total U.S.	254,780	277,220	278,830	1,000 melons	68,900	66,204	---
Early	33,230	27,700	29,000	"	12,031	8,995	8,625
Second early	163,390	172,100	178,100	"	36,135	30,070	43,360
Late	58,160	77,420	71,730	"	20,734	27,139	---
Total planted or indicated to be planted as of July 15	1,518,910	1,700,500	1,648,340				
Approximate acreage of vegetables available in August and September	526,050	565,370	581,180				

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

Dry edible beans: Average price per 100 pounds received by farmers, average 1933-37, and for 1935-39 seasons

Month	Year beginning September					
	Average 1933-37	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
September	3.61	3.08	4.35	3.52	2.68	3.80
October	3.51	2.89	4.83	3.37	2.54	3.34
November	3.43	2.67	5.30	2.77	2.47	3.18
December	3.38	2.44	5.49	2.88	2.48	3.07
January	3.54	2.61	5.87	3.02	2.58	3.21
February	3.72	2.85	6.43	2.97	2.55	3.21
March	3.69	2.86	6.32	2.92	2.54	3.14
April	3.64	3.00	6.10	2.84	2.54	3.11
May	3.61	3.02	5.85	2.93	2.77	3.18
June	3.58	2.96	5.66	3.00	2.66	3.12
July	3.72	3.76	5.35	3.30	2.62	3.14
August	3.64	4.33	4.46	2.94	2.63	
Weighted average	3.53	2.93	5.38	3.07	2.54	

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

Beans, dry edible: Acreage, yield and production by groups of States, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and indicated 1940

Group of States	Acreage			Yield per acre			Production 1/		
	Average 1929-38	1939	For harvest 1940	Average 1929-38	1939	Indicated 1940	Average 1929-38	1939	Indicated 1940
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1,000 bags	1,000 bags	1,000 bags
Me., Vt., N. Y., Mich., Wis., and Minn. 2/	723	610	688	714.0	949.2	726.5	5,162	5,790	4,998
Nebr., Mont., Idaho, Wyo., and Oreg. 3/	200	187	218	1,157.5	1,278.1	1,274.3	2,315	2,390	2,778
Kans., Colo., N. Mex., and Ariz. 4/	489	428	487	353.8	418.7	373.5	1,730	1,792	1,819
Calif. 5/	326	329	358	1,187.0	1,213.0	1,261.0	3,879	3,990	4,516
Total United States	1,737	1,554	1,751	759.0	898.5	805.9	13,086	13,962	14,111

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.
1/ Bags of 100 pounds; includes beans for seed. 2/ Largely pea beans, but most important source of Red Kidney, Yelloweye, and Cranberry. 3/ Largely Great Northern but Idaho most important source of supply of Small Reds. 4/ Largely Pinto. 5/ Miscellaneous varieties, mostly Lima, Baby Lima, Blackeye, Small White and Pink.

Beans, dry, edible: Average wholesale price per 100 pounds at New York City, and f.o.b. quotations per 100 pounds at Colorado and Idaho, shipping points, 1938-40

Period	Wholesale price New York City								F.o.b. quotations 1/			
	Marrow		Calif. lima		Pea		Red Kidney		Colo. points: Pinto		Idaho points Northern	
	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Month												
Sept.	5.33	5.87	5.42	6.43	3.12	4.76	3.86	6.14	3.62	4.95	2.30	3.83
Oct.	5.11	5.02	5.34	6.35	2.90	3.84	4.17	5.32	3.82	4.18	2.23	3.28
Nov.	4.72	4.81	5.31	6.09	2.72	3.71	3.57	4.78	3.86	3.92	2.31	3.04
Dec.	4.47	4.63	5.27	5.97	2.66	3.77	3.29	4.86	4.06	4.04	2.30	2.90
	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940
Jan.	4.61	4.56	5.25	5.82	2.75	3.98	3.38	5.04	4.25	3.94	2.25	3.20
Feb.	5.21	4.55	5.25	5.74	2.75	4.00	3.23	4.95	4.15	3.66	2.25	3.09
Mar.	5.32	4.55	5.14	5.55	2.75	3.86	3.10	4.75	4.18	3.48	2.20	2.94
Apr.	5.02	4.50	5.15	5.50	2.78	3.81	2.98	4.71	4.38	3.59	2.39	3.04
May	4.95	4.50	5.36	5.51	3.04	3.90	3.67	4.75	4.31	3.72	2.65	3.26
June	4.89	4.50	5.39	5.55	2.98	3.87	3.78	4.68	3.74	3.49	2.45	2.91
Week ended		2/		2/		2/		2/				
July 6	4.85	4.50	5.40	5.55	2.90	3.82	3.70	4.60	3.80	---	2.45	---
13	4.85	4.46	5.40	5.55	2.90	3.82	3.70	4.60	3.78	3.25	---	2.82
20	4.68	4.45	5.40	5.55	2.97	3.82	3.53	4.60	3.82	3.30	2.48	2.82

New York, compiled from The Producers Price Current, f.o.b. quotations from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ Prices are for Wednesday of week shown.
2/ Average for 1 day.

Beans, dry edible: F.o.b. price per 100 pounds rail California, 1938-40

Period	Bayo		Blackeye		Cranberry		Kidney		Lima (standard)		Lima (baby)		Pink		Red		White (small)	
	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939	1938	1939
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Month																		
Sept.	6.18	4.79	2.96	4.84	4.66	4.32	4.30	5.42	4.71	5.48	3.33	3.98	3.79	4.80	3.38	4.38	2.95	4.74
Oct.	5.02	6.38	2.96	4.62	4.41	3.49	4.29	5.46	4.50	5.55	3.14	3.53	3.56	4.88	3.45	4.02	2.99	4.29
Nov.	4.72	6.88	3.05	4.38	3.97	3.28	4.20	5.32	4.45	5.16	2.88	3.30	3.54	4.50	3.23	3.41	2.85	3.80
Dec.	4.70	6.88	3.23	4.47	4.32	3.12	4.07	5.49	4.46	4.82	2.82	3.27	3.35	4.46	3.08	3.30	2.83	3.79
	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940	1939	1940
Jan.	4.70	6.88	3.22	4.82	4.59	3.27	3.98	5.68	4.48	4.86	2.85	3.31	3.45	4.48	2.95	3.32	2.84	3.88
Feb.	4.61	7.17	3.23	4.96	4.71	3.24	3.90	6.03	4.42	4.74	2.79	3.26	3.42	4.38	2.82	3.32	2.81	3.81
Mar.	4.43	7.30	3.44	4.98	4.64	3.19	3.98	5.95	4.42	4.71	2.74	3.28	3.28	4.34	2.76	3.67	2.78	3.78
Apr.	4.32	7.30	3.70	4.96	4.56	3.08	3.90	5.88	4.49	4.66	2.77	3.28	3.25	4.16	2.75	3.62	2.84	3.68
May	4.23	7.30	3.79	4.94	4.48	3.02	3.85	5.50	4.59	4.72	2.99	3.44	3.24	4.28	2.85	3.52	3.02	3.78
June	3.87	7.30	3.60	4.84	4.22	2.97	3.78	5.50	4.66	4.71	2.99	3.47	3.28	4.40	2.90	3.50	3.08	3.76
Week ended																		
July 6	3.82	7.30	3.55	4.75	4.15	3.00	3.80	5.50	4.65	4.68	2.95	3.45	3.30	4.35	2.88	3.45	3.02	3.78
13	3.82	7.30	3.55	4.70	4.15	3.00	3.80	5.50	4.65	4.65	2.95	3.50	3.20	4.35	2.88	3.45	3.02	3.72
20	3.75	7.25	3.50	4.68	4.00	2.85	3.75	5.42	4.65	4.70	2.92	3.50	3.22	4.12	2.80	3.40	2.98	3.75

Compiled from California Fruit News except week of July 20 which is from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

Commercial truck crops for processing: Acreage planted 1937-40, and percent 1940 is of 1939

Commodity	1937	1938	1939	Intended 1940	Intended 1940 is percent of 1939
	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Percent
Lima beans	46,670	55,010	50,540	50,670	100.3
Snap beans	69,780	76,010	54,860	57,590	105.0
Beets	13,700	12,380	9,060	12,200	134.7
Cabbage	26,020	18,600	20,140	18,900	93.8
Sweet corn	461,850	361,170	254,460	328,710	129.2
Cucumbers for pickles	119,830	88,700	64,620	92,760	143.5
Green peas	354,420	334,920	260,070	323,980	124.6
Pimientos	14,090	26,390	22,090	15,490	70.1
Spinach 1/	24,720	17,470	13,860	12,400	89.5
Tomatoes	473,200	410,160	371,730	391,630	105.4
Total	1,604,280	1,400,810	1,121,430	1,304,330	116.3
Estimates of acreage planted for freezing 1938-40, included in estimates given above					
Lima beans	---	13,380	15,300	15,900	103.9
Snap beans	---	3,150	2,640	2,140	81.1
Sweet corn	---	4,560	5,520	3,120	56.5
Green Peas	---	25,360	29,120	38,050	130.7
Total	---	46,450	52,580	59,210	112.6

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.
1/ Harvested acreage in 1937, 1938 and 1939; planted acreage in 1940.

Vegetables, frozen: Cold storage holdings, July 1, 1940, with comparisons

Commodity	1939		1940	
	June 1	July 1	June 1	July 1
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Asparagus	6,089	7,499	6,781	7,437
Beans, lima	8,911	8,362	9,174	8,283
Beans, snap	4,449	4,199	3,902	3,779
Broccoli, green	1,007	1,027	1,225	1,131
Corn, sweet	4,781	4,409	4,909	4,290
Peas, green	14,463	19,988	11,075	17,958
Spinach	2,103	3,038	4,103	4,680
Other vegetables	2,020	1,910	2,836	2,642
Classification not reported	3,752	3,709	2,390	2,441
Total	47,575	54,141	46,395	52,641

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) specified weeks 1939-40 with comparisons

Market and commodity	Unit	Week ended 1939 July 29	1940 June 29	1940 July 6	1940 July 13	1940 July 20	1940 July 27
New York		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Asparagus, N. J. Medium ...	Crt.1 doz.bunches	1.90	1.37	1.45	1.35	1.80	2/2.00
" Pa. " ...	" " "	---	1.81	2.40	2.78	---	---
Beans, fava, L. Is.	Bushel	---	---	1.18	.95	.99	1.12
" lima, N. C. and S. C.	"	2/.75	1.94	1.95	3.58	2.44	1.25
" " Md.	"	1.11	---	---	---	2.72	1.19
" " N. J.	"	1.27	---	---	---	3.19	1.27
" snap, green, Conn...	"	.68	---	---	---	1.21	1.09
" " " N. Y...	"	.82	---	1.62	1.23	1.56	1.29
" " " N. J...	"	.78	1.79	1.21	.90	1.40	1.07
" " " Md., Va. and Dela.	"	---	1.25	.94	.81	.97	---
Beans, snap, wax, N. J. ...	"	1.09	1.92	1.38	1.31	1.48	1.50
" " " Conn. ...	"	---	---	---	---	1.31	---
" " " Pa.	"	---	---	1.72	1.47	1.44	---
Beets, bunched, N. J.	"	---	.57	.50	.43	.35	---
" " Pa.	Crate	.44	.64	.48	.44	.40	.35
" topped, N. J.	Bushel	---	---	1.00	.68	.60	.51
" " Pa.	"	.45	---	1.13	.76	.62	.51
Broccoli, Pa.	Crt.1doz.bunches	2/1.75	1.88	1.76	1.22	1.02	.96
" nearby	" " "	2.12	1.95	1.69	1.25	1.56	1.46
Cabbage, Pa.	1-1/2 bu.hamper	---	.66	.52	.42	.44	.43
" nearby	"	1.18	.69	.45	.35	.42	.40
Cantaloups, Calif.	Jumbos 36's, and Standard 45's	3.02	2.28	---	3.28	3.29	4.23
" Ariz.	"	2.85	3.04	2.42	2.45	2.56	3.08
" Ga. and S. C. ..	Standard crate	1.48	---	2/1.32	1.18	1.26	1.57
Carrots, bunched, Calif. ..	L. A. crate	3.22	5.54	5.58	5.23	5.12	4.29
" " N. J. ...	Crt. 2 doz. bunches	---	1.14	1.02	.82	2/.62	2/.80
" topped, N. Y.	Bushel	---	2.00	2.50	2.05	1.48	.84
" " N. J.	"	.82	---	2.12	2.10	1.46	.88
Cauliflower, nearby	Crate	---	.88	.92	.79	1.19	.88
" N. Y. and L.I.	"	1.92	.88	.98	1.52	2.27	1.54
Celery, Gold.Self Bl.,Calif	1/2 crate	---	4.83	3.70	3.22	2.00	---
" N. J.	"	1.35	3.85	1.85	1.23	1.00	.88
" N. Y.	"	1.35	4.00	2.10	1.37	1.17	.93
Corn, yellow, N.C. and S.C.	5 doz. (sacks)	---	---	1.42	1.53	1.31	---
" " N. J.	"	.72	---	---	1.88	1.83	1.08
" white, N. J.	Bushel	---	---	---	---	1.04	.56
Cucumbers, N.C. and S.C....	"	---	1.48	.92	.86	2/.62	---
" Md. and Dela. ..	"	.45	1.52	.84	.82	.72	.98
" N. J.	"	.54	---	.88	.76	.73	.95
" Pa.	"	.62	---	---	---	1.02	1.29

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Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) specified weeks, 1939-40 with comparisons - Continued

Market and commodity	Unit	Week ended 1939 July 29	1940 June 29	1940 July 6	1940 July 13	1940 July 20	1940 July 27 1/
New York - Continued		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Eggplant, Fla.	1-1/2 bu. crate	---	3.19	2.80	2.12	1.92	1.11
" Va.	Crate	.98	---	3.21	2.62	2.18	1.65
" Va.	Bushel	---	---	---	2.21	1.91	1.45
" N. J.	"	1.32	---	---	---	1.81	1.55
Honey balls, Calif.	Jumbos 36's, and Standard 45's	2.81	3.21	3.32	2.62	2.54	2.73
" " Ariz.	"	---	---	---	2.98	2.67	2.84
Honeydews, Calif.	Crt. 9's-12's	1.79	1.95	1.91	1.82	1.60	1.55
" Calif.	Jumbos 36's	---	2.77	2.54	2.33	2.21	2.25
" Ariz.	9's - 12's	1.88	---	---	---	2.19	2.03
Lettuce, iceberg, Calif.	L. A. crate	2.88	3.46	3.58	2.45	1.90	2.90
" " N. Y.	Crate - 2 doz.	.54	---	.81	.75	.52	.76
" Big Boston, N. Y.	" "	.52	.49	.42	.38	.37	.51
Mushrooms, N. Y. and Pa.	3 lb. basket	.58	.59	.54	.62	.87	.84
Okra, Fla.	24 qt. hamper	---	2.38	1.35	1.21	1.75	1.34
" Fla.	Bushel	1.96	2.96	1.70	1.50	2.25	1.62
" N. C.	1/2 bushel	---	---	---	---	1.34	1.13
Onions, yellows, N. J.	50 lb. sack	.81	1.66	1.52	1.31	1.32	1.34
" " Calif.	"	---	---	1.60	1.50	1.46	---
" " Va.	"	---	1.81	1.64	1.49	1.39	1.32
" " N. Y.	"	.81	---	---	---	1.15	1.12
Parsley, N. J.	Bushel	.79	1.31	.98	.76	.57	.61
" Pa.	1-1/2 bu. hamper	---	.72	.44	.32	.26	.39
Peas, Wash.	Bushel	1.82	1.96	1.89	2.24	2.71	2.20
" Idaho	"	1.69	1.58	1.25	1.61	2.25	1.56
" N. Y.	"	1.03	1.30	1.06	1.11	1.29	1.08
" L. Is.	"	---	1.30	.96	1.06	1.21	---
Peppers, sweet, N. and S.C.	"	.50	1.38	1.16	1.04	.79	.78
" " N. J.	"	.70	---	---	1.00	.88	.81
" hot, Fla.	"	---	1.32	1.15	1.30	.96	.81
" " N. and S.C.	"	.54	1.24	.86	1.08	.68	.44
Radishes, nearby	"	.85	.75	.66	.53	.57	.61
Rutabagas, N. J.	"	.62	---	.62	.55	.57	.50
Spinach, Pa.	"	.82	.63	.92	.77	.45	.46
Squash, yellow, N. J.	"	.49	---	1.08	.79	.61	.51
" white, N. J.	"	.48	---	1.12	.92	.61	.56
" green, N. J.	"	.62	---	.88	.88	.66	.49
Tomatoes, Tex.	Lug	---	1.39	.96	1.20	1.38	---
" N. and S. Car.	"	---	1.08	.82	.84	.89	2/.50
" Md. and Va.	"	.68	1.19	.86	.80	.76	.60
" Tenn.	"	---	---	1.06	1.23	.89	.82
Turnips, nearby, topped	Bushel and crate	1.38	1.15	1.08	.76	.75	.60
Watermelons, 28-30 lb. av. Fla.	Bulk per car	305	---	275	275	240	291

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Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) specified weeks, 1939-40 with comparisons - Continued

Market and commodity	Unit	Week ended 1939 July 29	1940 June 29	1940 July 6	1940 July 13	1940 July 20	1940 July 27 1/
Chicago		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Asparagus, Ill.	1 doz. bunches	---	1.58	1.62	2/1.88	---	---
Beans, lima, Md.	Bushel	2.42	---	---	---	---	2.52
" green, Ill.	"	.86	2.08	1.58	1.10	1.14	.86
" wax, Ill.	"	---	2.08	2.71	1.40	1.38	1.00
Beets, topped, Ill.	"	.44	---	---	---	.61	.48
Broccoli, Ill.	Bundle	---	---	.23	.18	.16	.14
Cabbage, Ill.	L. A. crate	.52	.96	.77	.50	.34	.37
" red, Ill.	Bushel	.83	---	1.14	1.00	.98	2/.95
Cantaloupes, Ariz.	Jumbos 36's and Standard 45's	2.44	2.78	2.18	2.50	2.57	3.68
" Calif.	"	2.17	2.20	2.27	2.92	3.11	3.97
Carrots, topped, Ill.	Bushel	---	1.85	1.85	2.00	2.00	1.37
" bunched, Calif.	L. A. crate	2.70	4.60	5.16	4.46	4.32	3.69
Cauliflower, Wash.	Pony crate	1.72	1.64	1.83	1.52	1.34	1.29
" Calif.	"	---	1.50	---	1.38	1.42	1.44
" Ill.	Crate	---	---	.98	.85	.92	1.04
Celery, Gold. Self Bl. Calif.	1/2 crate	---	4.38	---	3.51	2.82	2.31
" Utah type, Calif.	"	---	2.96	2.56	2.52	2.16	2.08
" Mich.	Flat crate	.52	.71	.59	.46	.42	.44
Corn, yellow Bantam, Ark.	90-100 ears	3/.29	---	1.56	1.42	1.19	---
Cucumbers, Ill.	Bushel	.58	1.98	1.31	.98	.63	1.01
" Tenn.	"	---	1.97	1.39	1.02	.64	1.04
Egg Plant, Fla.	"	---	---	---	2/1.75	1.41	1.32
" " La.	"	1.29	2.51	2.04	1.64	1.43	1.40
Endive, Ill.	"	.64	---	1.08	.73	.63	.62
" Ohio	24 qt. basket	---	---	1.25	.88	.72	.52
Escarole, Ill.	Bushel	.39	.55	.50	.41	.37	.39
Honey Ball, Pink and Green Meats, Calif.	Jumbos 36's and standard 45's	2.38	3.12	2.72	2.31	2.06	---
Honeydews, Calif.	Crt. 9's - 12's	1.84	1.98	1.90	2.08	1.88	1.38
" Calif.	Jumbos 36's-45's	---	2.62	2.33	2.41	1.81	---
" Ariz.	Crt. 9's - 12's	---	---	---	---	1.96	1.70
Kale, Ill.	Bushel	---	---	---	---	.32	2/.35
Lettuce, iceberg, Calif.	L. A. Crate	2.22	3.05	2.89	2.18	2.00	2.22
" Big Boston, N.Y.	Crt. - 2 doz.	.72	.71	.46	.54	2/55	2/65
Mushrooms, Midwestern	Pound	.30	.32	.31	.30	.31	.31
Mustard, Ill.	Bushel	.23	---	---	.22	.24	.25
Okra, Tenn.	"	1.22	---	---	2/2.00	1.21	1.46
Onions, yellow, Calif.	50 lb. sack	1.02	1.73	1.56	1.46	1.48	1.60
" " Ill.	"	---	---	---	---	---	1.04
" " Iowa	"	.65	---	---	1.30	1.17	1.05
Parsley, curley, Ill.	Box	.35	.34	.23	.26	.20	.23
Peas, Wash.	Bushel	1.68	1.82	1.84	2.03	2.59	---
" Idaho	"	---	1.42	1.38	1.60	2.14	1.55

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Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) specified weeks, 1939-40 with comparisons - Continued

Market and commodity	Unit	Week ended 1939 July 29	1940 June 29	1940 July 6	1940 July 13	1940 July 20	1940 July 27 1/
Chicago - Continued		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Peppers, La.	Bushel	1.38	1.04	1.02	1.02	.88	---
" Tenn.	"	.86	---	---	1.52	1.00	.94
" Texas	"	---	---	---	---	1.10	.96
Rhubarb, Ill.	20 lb. box	.38	.31	.38	.36	.36	.35
Rutabagas, Va.	50 lb. sack	---	---	---	---	1.00	.96
Spinach	Bushel	.62	.32	.27	.45	.44	.44
Squash, white, Ill.	"	.56	1.19	.78	.46	.52	.50
" yellow, Ill.	"	.53	---	.80	.46	.60	.54
Tomatoes, Texas	Lug	---	1.29	1.06	1.30	1.26	.83
" Tenn.	"	1.10	---	---	.92	.94	.88
" Ark.	"	2.09	---	1.07	1.20	1.12	---
Watermelons, Tom Watsons, all sizes, Fla.	Per melon	.54	.52	.45	.36	.32	.60
Watermelons, Cuban Queen	"	.33	.34	.30	.30	.29	.39

Compiled from reports of the Agricultural Marketing Service.
1/ Preliminary.
2/ Average for 1 day.
3/ Yellow, 4-5 doz. ears.

Truck crops and potatoes: Carlot (rail and boat) shipments from originating points in the United States for the week ended July 27 with comparisons

Commodity	Week ended						
	1939	1940					
	July	June		June			
	29	22	29	6	13	20	27
	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars
Asparagus	---	4	2	---	---	---	
Beans, snap and lima	18	76	63	28	6	9	15
Beets	---	9	---	---	---	---	
Broccoli	4	---	---	---	2	5	11
Cabbage	92	93	19	10	8	7	18
Cantaloups	577	962	1,439	1,043	639	399	637
Carrots, old	---	22	4	5	9	6	---
" new	176	260	153	111	83	99	66
Casaba melons	---	2		1	1	1	---
Cauliflower	5	3	4	11	18	12	15
Celery	75	198	93	67	100	71	65
Corn, green	1	62	96	35	17	5	---
Cucumbers	6	213	196	107	72	25	15
Honeyball melons	23	78	85	72	34	17	11
Honeydew "	378	195	124	110	175	298	308
Lettuce	840	708	775	716	728	637	1,103
Mixed melons	32	44	16	3	5	10	17
" vegetables	239	241	194	167	218	172	154
Onions, old	---	2	---	---	---		
" new	243	446	319	245	343	202	144
Peas	149	263	129	42	104	229	203
Peppers	8	74	63	31	41	6	4
Persian melons	15				6	---	2
Spinach	16	---	2	4	3	4	18
Sweetpotatoes, old	---	27	18	8	6	---	
" new	96	---	---	---	1	28	74
Tomatoes	180	2,167	1,764	642	1,059	544	159
Turnips and rutabagas	3	5	4	1	6	8	3
Watermelons	1,396	1,329	3,329	2,781	3,527	1,917	3,107
Total above	4,572	7,483	8,891	6,240	7,211	4,711	6,149
Potatoes, total	1,813	5,620	5,393	3,827	4,187	2,771	1,792
Early	287	4,594	2,900	1,067	708	286	263
Intermediate	945	990	2,402	2,616	2,988	1,984	888
Late (1940 crop)	581	7	72	143	491	501	641
" (1939 crop)	---	29	19	1	---	---	
Grand total above	6,385	13,103	14,284	10,067	11,398	7,482	7,941
Relief - Beets	---	7	9	---	---	---	---
Cabbage	---	60	49	---	---	---	---
Potatoes	---	---	---	---	609	543	189
Tomatoes	---	7	322	442	174	65	141

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

Canned vegetables: Stocks as of July 1, 1940
with comparisons

Item	1937	1938	1939	1940
	1,000 actual cases	1,000 actual cases	1,000 actual cases	1,000 actual cases
Lima beans	100	81	407	435
Snap beans, green	71	701	1,531	538
" " wax	4	66	483	232
Total	75	767	2,014	770
Beets	214	592	942	228
Sweet corn	1,000	5,639	8,243	3,850
Green peas, Alaska	787	1,656	2,369	485
" " Sweets	1,458	2,998	5,056	2,144
Total	2,245	4,654	7,425	2,629
Tomatoes	2,500	4,001	3,571	2,983
Grand total	6,134	15,734	22,602	10,895

Compiled from reports of the National Canners Association.

Canned vegetables: Disappearance during the year beginning
July 1, 1939 with comparisons

Item	1937	1938	1939
	1,000 actual cases	1,000 actual cases	1,000 actual cases
Lima beans	1,468	1,538	1,915
Snap beans, green	6,445	7,966	7,940
" " wax	1,269	1,319	1,361
Total	7,714	9,285	9,301
Beets	2,374	2,390	2,739
Sweet corn	19,684	18,243	19,684
Green peas, Alaska	9,849	9,966	7,535
" " Sweets	11,118	12,693	13,589
Total	20,967	22,659	21,124
Tomatoes	21,494	20,683	21,598
Grand total	73,701	74,798	76,361

Compiled from reports of the National Canners Association.

Sweetpotatoes: Acreage, yield and production by groups of States, average 1929-38, annual 1939 and indicated 1940

Group of States	Acreage			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average 1929-38	1939	For harvest 1940	Average 1929-38	1939	Indicated 1940	Average 1929-38	1939	Indicated 1940
	Acres	Acres	Acres	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
4 Central Atlantic 1/ ...	67	61	61	121.5	140.5	127.4	8,141	8,568	7,770
4 Lower Atlantic 2/ ...	283	280	257	82.2	91.0	84.8	23,263	25,490	21,796
8 South Central 3/	470	483	439	79.4	72.4	80.3	37,340	34,963	35,273
5 North Central 4/	30	28	28	84.3	87.8	92.2	2,528	2,458	2,581
Calif.	11	10	12	105.0	120.0	115.0	1,164	1,200	1,380
Total U. S.	860	862	797	84.6	84.3	86.3	72,436	72,679	68,800

Compiled from reports of Agricultural Marketing Service.

1/ New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia.
2/ North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida.
3/ Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas.
4/ Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, and Kansas.